Chair Mary Ann Odegaard called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Meeting Agenda:
1. Introductions
2. Approval of Minutes
3. Review of Current Issues: Theresa Doherty, Assistant Vice President, Regional Affairs
4. Review of Honorary Degree Process
   a. Current Candidates
   b. Efforts to Expand Number of Nominations
   c. College Assignments and Status Report
5. Adjournment

1. Introductions

Odegaard asked everyone to introduce him/herself. She welcomed Mimi Bida, GPSS Representative to the Council.

2. Approval of Minutes

Stuart moved to approve the minutes of November 9th as presented. Motion was seconded by Hevly. Motion approved.

3. Review of Current Issues

Odegaard introduced Theresa Doherty, Assistant Vice President and Aaron Hoard, Deputy Director, Office of Regional Affairs.

SR520

Hoard updated the Council on the progress to date regarding SR520 mediation. In 2007 the Legislature passed Senate Bill 6099 which approved a 15 month process aimed at creating a consensus for replacing the 520 bridge and its east and west approaches. Options for replacing the bridge include: four and six lane alternatives, provisions for additional High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) and High Capacity Transit (HCT), full shoulders, and bicycle/pedestrian paths. Alternatives that include a second crossing from Marsh Island to the Pacific/Montlake Intersection are also being evaluated.

The mediation group of 33 people is composed of community members, local, city and county officials and two state appointed mediators. The UW administration is represented by Scott Woodward, Vice President for External Affairs. The process is
scheduled to conclude in December 2008 with a report to the Legislature in 2009. The group has met 4 times in the last 4 months.

**Sound Transit**

Doherty informed the Council regarding the status of the University Link and University of Washington Station. She said that Sound Transit plans to perform some preliminary utility relocation work in 2008 after the football season. They plan to begin their major construction program in the summer of 2009 with an estimated completion date of 2016. The University Link is a 3.15 mile light rail extension that will run in twin-bored tunnels from Downtown Seattle north to the University of Washington with a station at Capitol Hill and on the University of Washington campus. The underground University of Washington Station will be located adjacent to Husky Stadium.

**Alaska Yukon Pacific Exposition (AYPE)**

In 2009 various civic, cultural and university groups will be celebrating the 100th anniversary of the 1909 AYPE. The AYPE was Seattle’s first world’s fair, and was held on the University of Washington south campus. The fair created much of the south campus landscape as we know it today, including the fountain and Rainier Vista.

Doherty discussed the background and planning to date for the 100th anniversary of the AYPE which began in May of 2005 with a special citizen task force appointed by Mayor Nickels to explore the interest, participation and themes for the event. The task force of 30 people included herself, Norm Johnston, Brewster Denny and Ellen Ferguson as representatives of the University.

Doherty said that to date, the UW has not secured any monies for AYPE activities. Planning, however, is underway by various departments and schools. An example of that is the AYPE Centennial Celebration Proposal from the Burke Museum. Other activities being discussed by units on campus:

- College of Architecture and Urban planning and Library Special Collection
  - Book of 600 Frank Nowell photos
  - “Then and Now” photos completed by CAUP students for book
- Library Special Collections Exhibit
- Alumni Association Lecture Series
- Model T car race ending on UW Campus

Odegaard asked members to research what is being planned for the AYPE Centennial by their respective schools/colleges/departments and report back to the Council at the next meeting.

Odegaard thanked Doherty and Hoard for the information shared with the Council and the opportunity for Council members to ask questions on the various topics. She said she
would like to invite them back to a future meeting and suggested that she and Doherty get together to discuss potential topics/issues to bring before the FCUR.

4. Review of Honorary Degree Process

   a. Current Candidates

For the benefit of the Council’s new member, Odegaard gave a quick overview of the Honorary Degree Process and the HD Candidate selection in 2007. Stuart stated that his department has a nominee and is in the process of preparing the packet for submission.

   b. Efforts to Expand Number of Nominations

Stuart asked if the nomination deadline could be extended to accept nominations throughout the year with a December date as the deadline for the year. This would make it easier for Schools, Colleges and departments to prepare and submit nominations. Odegaard said she would talk to Arkans in regards to putting an on-going nominations process in place.

   c. College Assignments and Status Report

No status reports given. Odegaard said she would check with Arkans to see when he is scheduled to be on the Board of Deans agenda to promote the Honorary Degree.

5. Meeting Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

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Present: Odegaard, Bramhall, Hevly, Jackson, Sutton
Ex. Officio Representatives: Bidar, Macklin

Guests: Doherty, Hoard

Excused: Conroy, Gill
Ex. Officio Representatives: Bolcer, Norberg
President’s Designee: Arkans